

2005-06 HONOLULU CHARTER COMMISSION  
CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSAL FORM

1. Provide a brief description of the purpose of the proposed charter amendment; include a description of the problem the proposal would address and how the proposal would address the problem:

The purpose of this proposed charter amendment is to more specifically and accurately describe the duties of the fire chief and the Honolulu Fire Department.

2. If applicable, list the charter provision(s) proposed to be deleted or amended:

Section 6-1004(a), RCH

3. If the proposal is based on a provision or provisions in the charter or law of another jurisdiction, name the jurisdiction and, if possible, attach a copy of the relevant provision(s).

NA

4. If the proposal is based on any written materials you have, please attach a copy with a citation to its source.

NA

5. Attach the text of the proposed charter amendment in Ramseyer format (see below).

Ramseyer Format:

If proposing an amendment to existing Charter provisions, indicate, by underscoring, any language being proposed to be added to the Charter and indicate, by bracketing, any language being proposed to be deleted from the Charter.

**Section 6-1004. Powers, Duties and Functions –**

The fire chief shall:

- (a) Perform fire fighting and rescue work in order to save lives, [and] property and the environment from fires and respond to [from] emergencies arising on the sea [and], hazardous terrain and emergency medical and hazardous materials incidents.
- (b) Train, equip, maintain and supervise a force of fire fighting and rescue personnel.
- (c) Monitor the construction and occupancy standards of buildings for the purposes of fire prevention.
- (d) Provide educational programs related to fire prevention.
- (e) Appoint the deputy fire chief and the private secretaries to the fire chief and the deputy fire chief.
- (f) Perform such other duties as may be required by law. (Reso. 94-267)